

# regional

## PROFILE

### Mid Murray (DC)



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**AUSTRALIAN BUREAU OF STATISTICS National Regional Profile**  
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**Mid Murray (DC)**  
**SELECTED CHARACTERISTICS**

|                                                                      |        | <b>2000</b> | <b>2001</b> | <b>2002</b> | <b>2003</b> | <b>2004</b> |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------|--------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| <b>ESTIMATES OF UNEMPLOYMENT - September quarter</b>                 |        |             |             |             |             |             |
| Unemployment                                                         | no.    | -           | -           | n.a.        | 214         | 229         |
| Unemployment rate                                                    | %      | -           | -           | n.a.        | 5.5         | 5.8         |
| <b>LOCAL GOVERNMENT FINANCE - year ended 30 June</b>                 |        |             |             |             |             |             |
| Total Revenue                                                        | \$'000 | 7,089       | 8,280       | 9,312       | 10,764      | 14,154      |
| Total Expenses                                                       | \$'000 | 8,454       | 8,584       | 9,214       | 8,516       | 10,049      |
| Net Operating Balance (Revenue less Expenses)                        | \$'000 | -1,365      | -304        | 98          | 2,248       | 4,105       |
| Total Assets                                                         | \$'000 | 47,327      | 47,239      | 49,928      | 54,185      | 62,699      |
| Total Liabilities                                                    | \$'000 | 2,886       | 3,086       | 4,108       | 5,913       | 5,725       |
| GFS Net Worth (Assets less Liabilities)                              | \$'000 | 44,441      | 44,153      | 45,820      | 48,272      | 56,974      |
| Net Debt (Financial Liabilities less Financial Assets)               | \$'000 | 675         | 473         | 605         | 2,788       | 2,588       |
| <b>SELECTED INCOME SUPPORT CUSTOMERS - at June</b>                   |        |             |             |             |             |             |
| Age pension                                                          | no.    | -           | -           | 1,075       | 1,113       | -           |
| Disability support pension                                           | no.    | -           | -           | 486         | 493         | -           |
| Newstart allowance                                                   | no.    | -           | -           | 347         | 287         | -           |
| Parenting payment - single                                           | no.    | -           | -           | 156         | 153         | -           |
| Youth allowance                                                      | no.    | -           | -           | 146         | 128         | -           |
| Other pensions and allowances                                        | no.    | -           | -           | 488         | 455         | -           |
| Total selected income support customers                              | no.    | -           | -           | 2,698       | 2,629       | -           |
| Percentage of long-term Newstart allowance customers                 | %      | -           | -           | 65.6        | 66.1        | -           |
| <b>AVERAGE INDIVIDUAL ANNUAL TAXABLE INCOME - year ended 30 June</b> |        |             |             |             |             |             |
|                                                                      | \$     | 27,505      | 29,002      | 31,030      | 32,438      | -           |
| <b>WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS - year ended 30 June</b>                  |        |             |             |             |             |             |
| Wage and salary earners                                              | no.    | 2,525       | 2,508       | 2,475       | 2,456       | -           |
| Wage and salary income                                               | \$m    | 62.3        | 64.7        | 66.9        | 69.8        | -           |
| Total income                                                         | \$m    | 63.3        | 67.6        | 70.6        | 73.1        | -           |
| Average wage and salary income                                       | \$     | 24,681      | 25,814      | 27,032      | 28,407      | -           |
| Average total income                                                 | \$     | 25,081      | 26,968      | 28,510      | 29,759      | -           |

**SOURCE OF PERSONAL INCOME - year ended 30 June**

|                               |     |       |       |   |   |   |
|-------------------------------|-----|-------|-------|---|---|---|
| Wage and salary               | %   | 62.8  | 58.0  | - | - | - |
| Own unincorporated business   | %   | 5.8   | 12.5  | - | - | - |
| Investment                    | %   | 6.1   | 5.6   | - | - | - |
| Superannuation and annuity    | %   | 2.6   | 2.4   | - | - | - |
| Government cash benefit       | %   | 22.1  | 21.0  | - | - | - |
| Other income                  | %   | 0.6   | 0.5   | - | - | - |
| Total income from all sources | \$m | 103.0 | 117.0 | - | - | - |

**LAND AREA**

|     |   |   |   |   |         |
|-----|---|---|---|---|---------|
| km2 | - | - | - | - | 6,272.4 |
|-----|---|---|---|---|---------|

**BUILDING APPROVALS - year ended 30 June**

|                                         |     |     |     |     |     |      |
|-----------------------------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|------|
| Private sector houses                   | no. | 85  | 54  | 78  | 81  | 56   |
| Total dwelling units                    | no. | 87  | 54  | 90  | 81  | 57   |
| Value of total residential building     | \$m | 5.8 | 4.0 | 6.7 | 7.5 | 6.0  |
| Value of total non-residential building | \$m | 2.3 | 2.1 | 0.2 | 0.5 | 5.8  |
| Value of total building                 | \$m | 8.0 | 6.1 | 6.9 | 8.0 | 11.8 |

**NEW MOTOR VEHICLE SALES - year ended 30 June**

|                    |     |   |   |     |     |     |
|--------------------|-----|---|---|-----|-----|-----|
| Passenger vehicles | no. | - | - | 108 | 133 | 143 |
| Other vehicles     | no. | - | - | 78  | 77  | 107 |
| Total vehicles     | no. | - | - | 186 | 211 | 250 |

**VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTION - year ended 30 June**

|                                                      |     |   |       |   |   |   |
|------------------------------------------------------|-----|---|-------|---|---|---|
| Value of crops                                       | \$m | - | 95.3  | - | - | - |
| Value of livestock slaughterings and other disposals | \$m | - | 17.9  | - | - | - |
| Value of livestock products                          | \$m | - | 14.7  | - | - | - |
| Total value of agricultural production               | \$m | - | 127.9 | - | - | - |

**POPULATION BY AGE AND SEX- at 30 June**

|                              |     |     |     |     |     |     |
|------------------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| Males - 0 to 4 years         | no. | 234 | 231 | 233 | 232 | 229 |
| Males - 5 years to 9 years   | no. | 292 | 281 | 285 | 264 | 245 |
| Males - 10 years to 14 years | no. | 277 | 276 | 282 | 283 | 297 |
| Males - 15 years to 19 years | no. | 266 | 282 | 268 | 253 | 243 |
| Males - 20 years to 24 years | no. | 186 | 187 | 190 | 202 | 213 |
| Males - 25 years to 29 years | no. | 220 | 213 | 208 | 216 | 216 |
| Males - 30 years to 34 years | no. | 303 | 298 | 291 | 271 | 266 |
| Males - 35 years to 39 years | no. | 326 | 318 | 313 | 312 | 302 |

|                                |     |       |       |       |       |       |
|--------------------------------|-----|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| Males - 40 years to 44 years   | no. | 334   | 357   | 356   | 351   | 349   |
| Males - 45 years to 49 years   | no. | 319   | 322   | 306   | 299   | 299   |
| Males - 50 years to 54 years   | no. | 360   | 343   | 340   | 330   | 326   |
| Males - 55 years to 59 years   | no. | 322   | 346   | 358   | 382   | 376   |
| Males - 60 years to 64 years   | no. | 305   | 327   | 329   | 325   | 320   |
| Males - 65 years to 69 years   | no. | 253   | 262   | 279   | 270   | 286   |
| Males - 70 years to 74 years   | no. | 187   | 188   | 189   | 198   | 201   |
| Males - 75 years to 84 years   | no. | 121   | 127   | 130   | 142   | 148   |
| Males - 75 years to 84 years   | no. | 74    | 78    | 80    | 81    | 80    |
| Males - 85 years and over      | no. | 36    | 35    | 47    | 53    | 60    |
| Males - total                  | no. | 4,415 | 4,471 | 4,484 | 4,464 | 4,456 |
|                                |     |       |       |       |       |       |
| Females - 0 to 4 years         | no. | 241   | 218   | 203   | 199   | 203   |
| Females - 5 years to 9 years   | no. | 244   | 256   | 261   | 247   | 234   |
| Females - 10 years to 14 years | no. | 275   | 268   | 262   | 275   | 272   |
| Females - 15 years to 19 years | no. | 225   | 237   | 229   | 226   | 231   |
| Females - 20 years to 24 years | no. | 146   | 146   | 146   | 152   | 167   |
| Females - 25 years to 29 years | no. | 189   | 172   | 173   | 168   | 169   |
| Females - 30 years to 34 years | no. | 247   | 253   | 259   | 251   | 237   |
| Females - 35 years to 39 years | no. | 294   | 289   | 265   | 247   | 229   |
| Females - 40 years to 44 years | no. | 292   | 306   | 319   | 314   | 320   |
| Females - 45 years to 49 years | no. | 293   | 271   | 273   | 285   | 282   |
| Females - 50 years to 54 years | no. | 343   | 359   | 334   | 327   | 327   |
| Females - 55 years to 59 years | no. | 255   | 281   | 326   | 350   | 354   |
| Females - 60 years to 64 years | no. | 265   | 274   | 255   | 256   | 248   |
| Females - 65 years to 69 years | no. | 178   | 179   | 190   | 210   | 236   |
| Females - 70 years to 74 years | no. | 167   | 168   | 156   | 148   | 147   |
| Females - 75 years to 84 years | no. | 123   | 122   | 134   | 138   | 141   |
| Females - 75 years to 84 years | no. | 69    | 78    | 85    | 92    | 93    |
| Females - 85 years and over    | no. | 64    | 62    | 74    | 85    | 89    |
| Females - total                | no. | 3,910 | 3,939 | 3,944 | 3,970 | 3,979 |
|                                |     |       |       |       |       |       |
| Persons - 0 to 4 years         | no. | 475   | 449   | 436   | 431   | 432   |
| Persons - 5 years to 9 years   | no. | 536   | 537   | 546   | 511   | 479   |
| Persons - 10 years to 14 years | no. | 552   | 544   | 544   | 558   | 569   |
| Persons - 15 years to 19 years | no. | 491   | 519   | 497   | 479   | 474   |
| Persons - 20 years to 24 years | no. | 332   | 333   | 336   | 354   | 380   |
| Persons - 25 years to 29 years | no. | 409   | 385   | 381   | 384   | 385   |
| Persons - 30 years to 34 years | no. | 550   | 551   | 550   | 522   | 503   |
| Persons - 35 years to 39 years | no. | 620   | 607   | 578   | 559   | 531   |

|                                |     |       |       |       |       |       |
|--------------------------------|-----|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| Persons - 40 years to 44 years | no. | 626   | 663   | 675   | 665   | 669   |
| Persons - 45 years to 49 years | no. | 612   | 593   | 579   | 584   | 581   |
| Persons - 50 years to 54 years | no. | 703   | 702   | 674   | 657   | 653   |
| Persons - 55 years to 59 years | no. | 577   | 627   | 684   | 732   | 730   |
| Persons - 60 years to 64 years | no. | 570   | 601   | 584   | 581   | 568   |
| Persons - 65 years to 69 years | no. | 431   | 441   | 469   | 480   | 522   |
| Persons - 70 years to 74 years | no. | 354   | 356   | 345   | 346   | 348   |
| Persons - 75 years to 84 years | no. | 244   | 249   | 264   | 280   | 289   |
| Persons - 75 years to 84 years | no. | 143   | 156   | 165   | 173   | 173   |
| Persons - 85 years and over    | no. | 100   | 97    | 121   | 138   | 149   |
| Persons - total                | no. | 8,325 | 8,410 | 8,428 | 8,434 | 8,435 |

**INDIGENOUS POPULATION - PERCENTAGE OF TOTAL POPULATION at 30 June**

|   |   |     |   |   |   |
|---|---|-----|---|---|---|
| % | - | 1.5 | - | - | - |
|---|---|-----|---|---|---|

**OVERSEAS BORN POPULATION : PERCENTAGE OF TOTAL POPULATION - Census 2001**

|                                                      |   |   |      |   |   |   |
|------------------------------------------------------|---|---|------|---|---|---|
| Total Born overseas                                  | % | - | 11.9 | - | - | - |
| Born in Oceania and Antarctica (excluding Australia) | % | - | 0.8  | - | - | - |
| Born in North-West Europe                            | % | - | 9.1  | - | - | - |
| Born in Southern and Eastern Europe                  | % | - | 1.0  | - | - | - |
| Born in North Africa and the Middle East             | % | - | 0.0  | - | - | - |
| Born in South-East Asia                              | % | - | 0.3  | - | - | - |
| Born in North-East Asia                              | % | - | 0.1  | - | - | - |
| Born in Southern and Central Asia                    | % | - | 0.2  | - | - | - |
| Born in Americas                                     | % | - | 0.1  | - | - | - |
| Born in Sub-Saharan Africa                           | % | - | 0.2  | - | - | - |

**SPEAKS A LANGUAGE OTHER THAN ENGLISH AT HOME : PERCENTAGE OF TOTAL POPULATION - Census 2001**

|   |   |     |   |   |   |
|---|---|-----|---|---|---|
| % | - | 2.4 | - | - | - |
|---|---|-----|---|---|---|

**LEVEL OF POST SCHOOL QUALIFICATIONS : PERCENTAGE OF TOTAL POPULATION AGED 15 AND OVER - Census 2001**

|                                           |   |   |      |   |   |   |
|-------------------------------------------|---|---|------|---|---|---|
| Postgraduate Degree                       | % | - | 0.2  | - | - | - |
| Graduate Diploma and Graduate Certificate | % | - | 0.5  | - | - | - |
| Bachelor Degree                           | % | - | 3.2  | - | - | - |
| Advanced Diploma and Diploma              | % | - | 3.0  | - | - | - |
| Certificate                               | % | - | 15.8 | - | - | - |
| Inadequately described or Not stated      | % | - | 13.0 | - | - | - |
| Total with qualifications                 | % | - | 35.7 | - | - | - |

**OCCUPATION OF EMPLOYED PERSONS : PERCENTAGE OF TOTAL  
EMPLOYED PERSONS - Census 2001**

|                                                  |   |   |      |   |   |   |
|--------------------------------------------------|---|---|------|---|---|---|
| Managers and Administrators                      | % | - | 20.3 | - | - | - |
| Professionals                                    | % | - | 8.3  | - | - | - |
| Associate Professionals                          | % | - | 10.1 | - | - | - |
| Tradespersons and Related Workers                | % | - | 12.8 | - | - | - |
| Advanced Clerical and Service Workers            | % | - | 2.2  | - | - | - |
| Intermediate Clerical, Sales and Service Workers | % | - | 10.0 | - | - | - |
| Intermediate Production and Transport Workers    | % | - | 8.2  | - | - | - |
| Elementary Clerical, Sales and Service Workers   | % | - | 5.6  | - | - | - |
| Labourers and Related Workers                    | % | - | 20.4 | - | - | - |
| Inadequately described or Not stated             | % | - | 2.3  | - | - | - |

**HOUSEHOLDS BY TYPE - Census 2001**

|                        |     |   |       |   |   |   |
|------------------------|-----|---|-------|---|---|---|
| Lone person households | no. | - | 912   | - | - | - |
| Group households       | no. | - | 81    | - | - | - |
| Family households      | no. | - | 2,222 | - | - | - |
| Total households       | no. | - | 3,215 | - | - | - |

**FAMILIES BY TYPE - Census 2001**

|                                                                      |     |   |       |   |   |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------|-----|---|-------|---|---|---|
| Couple families with children under 15 and/or dependent students     | no. | - | 695   | - | - | - |
| Couple families with non-dependent children only                     | no. | - | 166   | - | - | - |
| Couple families without children                                     | no. | - | 1,077 | - | - | - |
| One parent families with children under 15 and/or dependent students | no. | - | 189   | - | - | - |
| One parent families with non-dependent children only                 | no. | - | 81    | - | - | - |
| Other families                                                       | no. | - | 28    | - | - | - |
| Total families                                                       | no. | - | 2,236 | - | - | - |

**PROPORTION OF POPULATION IN REMOTENESS AREA - Census  
2001**

|                |   |   |      |   |   |   |
|----------------|---|---|------|---|---|---|
| Major cities   | % | - | 0.0  | - | - | - |
| Inner regional | % | - | 65.9 | - | - | - |
| Outer regional | % | - | 34.1 | - | - | - |
| Remote         | % | - | 0.0  | - | - | - |
| Very remote    | % | - | 0.0  | - | - | - |

|                                        |             |   |   |   |   |     |
|----------------------------------------|-------------|---|---|---|---|-----|
| <b>POPULATION DENSITY - at 30 June</b> | persons/km2 | - | - | - | - | 1.3 |
|----------------------------------------|-------------|---|---|---|---|-----|

**BIRTHS AND DEATHS**

|                                 |      |     |     |     |      |      |
|---------------------------------|------|-----|-----|-----|------|------|
| Births - year ended 31 December | no.  | 75  | 84  | 77  | 91   | 85   |
| Crude birth rate                | rate | 9.0 | 9.9 | 9.1 | 10.7 | 10.0 |
| Deaths - year ended 31 December | no.  | 59  | 67  | 56  | 74   | 57   |
| Crude death rate                | rate | 7.0 | 7.9 | 6.6 | 8.7  | 6.7  |

#### **GOVERNMENT SCHOOLS - at August**

|                    |     |     |     |     |     |     |
|--------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| Number of Schools  | no. | 11  | 11  | 11  | 11  | 11  |
| Teachers - Male    | no. | 24  | 24  | 20  | 20  | 17  |
| Teachers - Female  | no. | 53  | 53  | 54  | 53  | 62  |
| Teachers - Total   | no. | 77  | 77  | 74  | 73  | 79  |
| Primary students   | no. | 758 | 750 | 692 | 711 | 682 |
| Secondary students | no. | 195 | 184 | 149 | 159 | 166 |
| Total students     | no. | 953 | 934 | 841 | 870 | 848 |

#### **PRIVATE SCHOOLS - at August**

|                             |     |   |   |   |   |   |
|-----------------------------|-----|---|---|---|---|---|
| Number of Schools           | no. | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Primary students - Male     | no. | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Primary students - Female   | no. | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Primary students - Total    | no. | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Secondary students - Male   | no. | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Secondary students - Female | no. | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Secondary students - Total  | no. | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Total students              | no. | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

#### **TOTAL SCHOOLS - at August**

|                |     |     |     |     |     |     |
|----------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| Total schools  | no. | 11  | 11  | 11  | 11  | 11  |
| Total students | no. | 953 | 934 | 841 | 870 | 848 |

#### **PROPERTY SALES - Year ended June**

|                                      |        |     |     |     |     |     |
|--------------------------------------|--------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| Residential sales - Number           | no.    | 209 | 227 | 249 | 249 | 301 |
| Residential sales - Value            | \$m    | 17  | 19  | 23  | 26  | 46  |
| Residential sales - Average value    | \$'000 | 79  | 83  | 91  | 103 | 154 |
| Commercial/Industrial sales - Number | no.    | 13  | 7   | 13  | 9   | 8   |
| Commercial/Industrial sales - Value  | \$m    | 2   | 1   | 2   | 3   | 1   |
| Primary Production sales - Number    | no.    | 104 | 94  | 122 | 101 | 91  |
| Primary Production sales - Value     | \$m    | 12  | 10  | 15  | 16  | 16  |

#### **PROPERTY VALUATIONS - Year ended June**

|                                    |     |   |       |       |       |       |
|------------------------------------|-----|---|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| Residential - Number of properties | no. | - | 4,634 | 4,505 | 4,616 | 4,577 |
| Residential - Capital Value        | \$m | - | 329   | 356   | 414   | 698   |

|                                               |        |   |       |       |       |       |
|-----------------------------------------------|--------|---|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| Residential - Average Capital Value           | \$'000 | - | 71    | 79    | 90    | 153   |
| Commercial/Industrial - Number of properties  | no.    | - | 233   | 234   | 238   | 213   |
| Commercial/Industrial - Capital Value         | \$m    | - | 29    | 32    | 34    | 41    |
| Commercial/Industrial - Average Capital Value | \$'000 | - | 126   | 135   | 141   | 193   |
| Primary Production - Number of properties     | no.    | - | 2,695 | 2,636 | 2,726 | 2,599 |
| Primary Production - Capital Value            | \$m    | - | 291   | 294   | 330   | 411   |
| Primary Production - Average Capital Value    | \$'000 | - | 108   | 111   | 121   | 158   |